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Dear Henry:

As I am sure you will have heard from Bob Alway, we have reached very amicable agreement on all issues, and I am looking forward to joining you as a colleague at the earliest possible moment.

We think the most practical plan will be to stay here until the end of March, spend the next three months with Luca Cavalli at Pavia Italy (to continue the studies we begin during his visit here this spring), and move to Stanford next July. If it were possible to think of moving in September we would, but I have obligations to a number of people here that would be prejudiced by it. If this works out it will not be necessary for us to take advantage of your offer for biophysical space, but I am very grateful to you just the same.

I am really looking forward to our association; it is hard to think of a better environment for the progress of genetics in a context of medicine on one hand, and good scientific biochemistry and somatic cell research on the other. We are going to regret your Sausalito house, however: you really ought to make an endowment for your scheme to use it as a retreat. I hope Esther has a chance to see it when we visit in September.

Bob has our itinerary, should anything come up. We're leaving for ...Stockholm next week, will fly directly from London to SFO to arrive Sept. 5, and will have the best part of the week for house-hunting, replanning, etc. Till then,

Yours,

Joshua Lederberg